

CALDWELL COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
Glosserman Room, 308 West San Antonio Street, Lockhart, Texas
Special Meeting February 24, 2014 8:30 a.m.



TOM D. BONN County Judge
CAROL HOLCOMB County Clerk

ALFREDO MUÑOZ Commissioner Pct. 1
FRED F. BUCHHOLTZ Commissioner Pct.2
NETO MADRIGAL Commissioner Pct. 3
JOE IVAN ROLAND Commissioner Pct.4

8:30 A.M.

WORKSHOP (No Action): Report from program manager on remodeling of the new Caldwell County Judicial and Service Center. No action will be taken at this time. Project Manager Les Reddin gave an update on the progress of the new Judicial Center. The next update will be in two weeks. Questions from the Court about a symbol or seal for the building instead of the terrazzo floor, was answered by Contractor Robert Steinbomer. He gave some examples and explained the process to them. There will be more discussion concerning this.

9:00 A.M.

REGULAR MEETING

Call Meeting to order.

Judge Bonn thanks the City of Lockhart for the sharing of the facilities. He explains that because of the large crowd, some of the agenda items will be taken out of order.

2014.02.24.01

Invocation. Lockhart Ministry Alliance

Before the invocation, Pastor Bryan Dziadik-Willingham thanks the Court for their service to the County. Pastor Bryan Dziadik-Willingham from Grace Lutheran Church opened the meeting with prayer.

2014.02.24.02

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags. (Texas Pledge: Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible).

Judge Bonn led all present in the Pledge to both Flags.

2014.02.24.03

Announcements: Items or comments from Court Members or Staff.

None

2014.02.24.04

Citizens' Comments: At this time any person may speak to Commissioners Court if they have filled out a Caldwell County Commissioners Court Participation Form. Comments will be limited to four (4) minutes per person. No action will be taken on these items and no discussion will be had between the speaker(s) and members of the Court. The Court does retain the right to correct factual inaccuracies made by the speakers. (If longer than 30 minutes, then the balance of comments will continue as the last agenda item of the day).

Susan Stewart spoke to the Court concerning the entering into an agreement on a monthly contract with Michael Aulick, (Aulick and Associates, LLC). She said that although his qualifications and resume were very extensive and impressive, she was concerned about his experience in the rural aspects that concerned Caldwell County. She is also concerned with his close relationship with CAMPO. Also being a representative for Hays County, she asks if he would be able to put Caldwell County at the forefront of his representation

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- 2014.02.24.05** **Consent Agenda.** (Any member of the Court may request that an item within the Consent Agenda to be moved to the Regular Agenda for further discussion and action).
- A. Pay Bills in the amount of \$205,841.24 for February 24th, 2014.
 - B. To approve Asset Disposal Request Form for salvage of roof top A/C units at the new Judicial Center per request by Curtis Weber, Maintenance.
 - C. To approve renewal of Deputy Blanket Bond #70268962 for Caldwell County in the amount of \$250 from March 30, 2014 through March 30, 2015.
 - D. To approve Commissioners Court Minutes for February 18th, 2014.
Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve Consent Agenda. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.02.24.09** **Discussion/Action** approving a Proclamation for Texas Search and Rescue (TEXSAR) volunteer first responder organization.
Martin Ritchey read the Proclamation. Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve Proclamation for Texas Search and Rescue (TEXSAR) volunteer first responder organization. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.02.24.07** **Special Presentations.**
Presentation of Award of Merit from Texas Historical Commission to Commissioners Court; Speaker: Bratton Thomason, Director of History Programs.
Bratton Thomason, Director of History Programs presented Judge Tom Bonn, Pct. 2 Commissioner Fred Buchholtz, Commissioner Pct. 3 Neto Madrigal, Commissioner Pct. 3 Joe Roland, former Commissioner Pct.1 John Cyrier, Ron Heggemeier and Coyle Buhler an Award of Merit for the work that has been done to restore the Courthouse and the work that was done to preserve the Jail Museum.
- 2014.02.24.08** **Discussion/Action** concerning yearly report for the Pre-Trial Bond Release Program.
Adam Hanson gave the report for the Pre-Trial Bond Release Program.
- 2014.02.24.06** **Reports.**
Building Maintenance Report – Curtis Weber
No Report
- Emergency Management Report – Martin Ritchey
Martin Ritchey updated the Court on the January events for the month of January. He reported on the Prescribed Burn on February 1, 2014. He spoke about the required training and the teamwork shown during the training.
- Environmental Investigator Report – Mike Bittner
Mike Bittner gave the Environmental report for January 2014.
- Human Resources Report – Deborah Kortan
Deborah Kortan gave the Human Resource update for January 2014.

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Texas Agrilife Extension Service Report – Carissa Wilhelm & Michael Haynes
Carissa Wilhelm gave the 4-H report for Michael Haynes. There have been 2 of Caldwell County 4-H students make sales at major stock shows this year. This is a very high achievement. The stock show in Caldwell County begins this Friday @1:00 p.m. and goes through Saturday evening. She explains that the process for 4-H scholarships. Four youth will be applying this year. Caldwell County will be hosting a District 4-H Round-up May 3, 2014.

Accident Report – Precinct #4 – Art Villareal
Constable Villareal gave a report for the accident on January 23, 2014. County Attorney Mack Harrison requested that information not be discussed due to pending investigation.

Feral Hog Program – Nick Dornack
Nick Dornack reported the updates for the Feral Hog Program. He gave update on the CHAMP Grant and the financial donations and the various forms of support that the program has received this fiscal year.

IT Report – Mark Hinnenkamp
Mark Hinnenkamp updated the Court on the status of the desktop computers and the updates for the new Judicial Center. There are a few options for telephone service and data processes for the future.

(ALL OTHER AGENDA ITEMS)

- 2014.02.24.10** **Discussion/Action** regarding extension of Burn Ban declared on January 15, 2014 for Caldwell County.
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Madrigal to leave the Burn Ban off. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.02.24.11** **Discussion** of possible historical tribute to Caldwell County. Matthew Caldwell marker.
No update at this time.
- 2014.02.24.12** **Discussion/Action** to approve removal of the terrazzo seal in the amount of \$34,150 and move to contingency fund.
Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve removal of the terrazzo seal in the amount of \$34,150 and move to contingency fund. No second made. Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Madrigal to table until next month. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.02.24.13** **Discussion/Action** to open and award bids related to the sale of the 2005 S-85 Genie Manlift and Four (4) Haenni-Loadometer WL101 Wheel Load Weighers. The court may accept or reject any bids received.
No bids were received at closing of timeline given. County Auditor Larry Roberson discussed the options to continue sale. Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, second by Commissioner Muñoz to let County Auditor continue with process. All Voting "Aye"

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- 2014.02.24.14 Discussion/Action** to approve property use and indemnification agreement with Texas Lone Star Grand Prix Inc. for use of Caldwell County property Feb. 28-March 2 for Lone Star Grand Prix Go Kart races for the public purpose of supporting community events.
Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, second by Commissioner Muñoz to approve property use and indemnification agreement with Texas Lone Star Grand Prix Inc. for use of Caldwell County property with no fees, Feb. 28-March 2 for Lone Star Grand Prix Go Kart races for the public purpose of supporting community events. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.02.24.15 Discussion/Action** to enter into an agreement on a monthly contract with Aulick and Associates, LLC to coordinate with TxDOT and CAMPO to implement Caldwell County transportation projects funded by STP MM, SH 130 concession funds and other funds, assist in procurement and management of engineering consultants to design transportation projects in Caldwell County, pursue additional funding for other transportation projects through CAMPO and TXDOT, provide information from Caldwell County to CAMPO 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), serve as Caldwell County's representative on the CAMPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), review CAMPO and TxDOT analysis of roadways affecting Caldwell County, provide technical analysis on programs and ordinances to improve the transportation system in Caldwell County and meet with Caldwell County's Commissioners' Court and staff to provide information and advice on CAMPO and TxDOT and other transportation matters as required.
Judge Bonn would like to have the workshop before discussing this. Commissioner Muñoz is in disagreement and feels that there is a need to have someone onboard to help the County through the discussions. Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Madrigal to enter into an agreement on a temporary monthly contract at \$125.00 per hr., 40 hours per month, (\$5,000.00 per month) with Aulick and Associates, LLC. County Attorney Mack Harrison has been given authorization to get a contract with Mr. Aulick.
Roll Vote: Commissioner Muñoz-Yes, Commissioner Buchholtz-Yes, Commissioner Madrigal-Yes, Commissioner Roland-Yes, Judge Bonn-No. Motion Passed

Five minute Recess

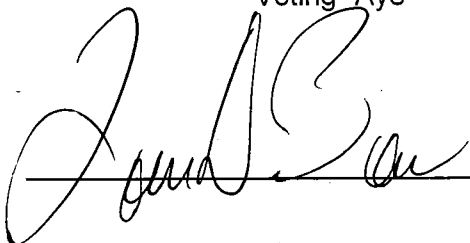
After Conclusion of Regular Meeting:

WORKSHOP (No Action): To discuss plans for expenditures of CAMPO State Transportation Metropolitan Planning funds on state highway projects and SH-130 funds. No action will be taken at this time.

Members of TXDOT, County Engineer Bill Gardner, former Commissioner John Cyrier and Michael Aulick were included in the workshop. Discussion includes the priority projects that are listed on the Caldwell County Transportation Plan that will promote connectivity to SH 130. Commissioner's Madrigal and Roland would like more time to evaluate and look into more information before the next workshop.

2014.02.24.16 Adjournment

Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Roland to Adjourn. All Voting "Aye"



TOM D. BONN, County Judge